Liber J. R. Service: and acknowledging my obligations to you for the great assistance I have had in my Consultations with you upon the most Essential & difficult points of it; which hath put it into my power to promote it further than I am perswaded I should have been able to have done without it

I beg leave to assure you, Sir, that I shall ever esteem it an happiness and Honour to me to maintain the Closest Correspondence with you in the future Course of his Majestys Service, and to give you proofs with what an unfeigned Esteem

and regard, I am

Sr Your Honours Most Humble & Most Obedient Servant
W Shirley

P. S. Inclosed are the Proportions according to the Plan Settled by the Commissioners at Albany; which tho not perfectly Equal, are the only ones that can be made use of untill more exact can be formed; which cant be done in time for the Present purpose all inequalitys must be Equitably Adjusted, and afterwards Set right upon the first opportunity of doing it

Your Honour must be Sensible that the Success of the next

years operations depends upon an early Campaigne

I must desire your Honour to prevail on your Assembly to raise their Inclosed Proportion of 1000 Men towards the Expedition against Crown Point in the first place, before you recomend to them to Raise their proportion towards the Expedition against Du Quesne.

Proportions of the 10,000 Men proposed to be rais'd for the Crown Point Expedition according to the Plan Settled by the

Commissioners at Albany.

1000
1750
1500
750
1000
500
1250
500
1750
-75-

10,000

Original.

[Calvert to Sharpe.]

London Ianuary 3<sup>d</sup> 1756

Sir/

The Bearer the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Williamson desiring my Address to you on his behalf, I beg the favour of your Acceptance thereof. Your having no Exception to him His Lordship